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February 23, 1988

JUDGE:

I have attached a letter for you to send to Bill Verity, the Secretary of Commerce, offering your congratulations on the occasion of the 75th anniversary of the Department of Commerce.

In the letter, you comment on the cooperative relationship we enjoy with the Department of Commerce. The information on what we provide Commerce and what Commerce provides the Agency came from the head of our office at Commerce.

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Bill Baker

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Central Intelligence Agency



Washington, D.C. 20505

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Mr. C. William Verity
U.S. Department of Commerce
The Secretary of Commerce
Washington, D.C. 20230

Dear Bill:

Although I am not able to attend the luncheon commemorating the 75th anniversary of the Department of Commerce, I send my congratulations to you and all members of Commerce on this important occasion. Seventy-five years of service is worth noting.

We at the Central Intelligence Agency just celebrated a 40th anniversary so I know the importance of such celebrations.

I am also reminded of the importance of the relationship between the Central Intelligence Agency and the Department of Commerce. We have a cooperative relationship, and I am pleased that this relationship has served us both well. The CIA has benefitted from the statistical and environmental satellite data provided by the Department of Commerce, and the CIA has been able to provide Commerce with analysis and intelligence support for the development of United States trade and export policy.

We now send our congratulations--we wish you a wonderful 75th anniversary celebration.

Sincerely yours.

/s/ Bill

William H. Webster
Director of Central Intelligence

THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20230

February 12, 1988

Honorable William Webster
Director, Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Bill,

On Friday, March 4, 1988, the Department of Commerce will reach a significant milestone - its 75th anniversary. I hope your calendar is free that day to join me, along with other members of the Cabinet, for a 12:30 p.m. lunch on board the once and future Presidential Yacht, the Sequoia.

Built in 1924, the Sequoia became the property of the Department of Commerce in March of 1931 and was transferred to the Department of the Navy for the use of the President in 1933. The Department purchased her for \$1 (a good Republican bargain) and in her brief service at Commerce, the Sequoia was used as a decoy to catch Volstead Act violators on the Mississippi River.

While the Department is planning a number of events to mark its 75th birthday, I expect this luncheon to be one of the highlights. I will also be inviting a small group of private sector people who have been strong supporters of our President's programs and policies.

I will soon forward more information on this event but I'm contacting you now hoping that you can plan accordingly and join us on March 4.

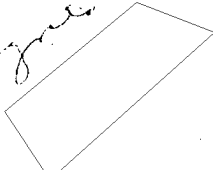
Michael Lawrence of my staff is coordinating this function and if your staff has any questions, I trust they will feel free to contact him at 377-5641.

Sincerely,

Bue

C. William Verity

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